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We have completed the project finishing all the problems proposed in our original proposal. Our research advances the knowledge base in ultrafast electronic phenomena in semiconductor nanostructures. The project has led to more than 30 scholarly research articles and more than 20 invited talks in conferences.

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A.   <u>Statement of the Problem Studied</u>

Under this ARO grant support, we studied and completed all the theoretical and computational problems on ultrafast electronic processes in the semiconductor nanostructures, which we originally proposed in our grant proposal 35583-EL. The specific problems studied under this grant are band gap renormalization in semiconductor nanostructures particularly under high photo excitation conditions, collective mode mixing in quantum well structures, optical gain and lasing in semiconductor quantum wire nanostructures, slab and interface phonon induced thin film superconductivity, phonon induced spin relaxation, photon absorption and scattering in semiconductor nanostructures, and election scattering in artificial semiconductor nanostructures. As proposed in our original proposal, the completed projects under this ARO grant substantially advance our knowledge base in developing our understanding of ultrafast electronic processes in semiconductor nanostructures.

B.   <u>Summary of the Most Important Results</u>

- *Band Gap Renormalization in Semiconductor Nanostructures.*
  We have calculated the many-body band gap renormalization in highly photo excited semiconductor quantum wire nanostructures by including electron-electron and electron-photon interactions as well as dynamical screening and self-energy corrections in our theory. Our numerical results, which are in excellent quantitative agreement with existing experimental results, give the shifts in the emission edge for proposed quantum wire lasers and nonlinear oscillators. We find that the calculated band gap renormalizations (BGR) follows an approximate universality, depending only on the dimensionless carrier density, for all the III-V semiconductor materials when the BGR is expressed in units of excitonic Ryolberg and the carrier density in the units of the effective Bohr radius.

- *Mode Mixing in Double Quantum Well Structures*
  We have carried out extensive quantum mean-field calculation to study intrasubband-intersubband mode mixing effects on many-body properties of semiconductor double quantum well structures. Our work shows that mode-mixing effects could be quantitatively important in a number of situations. We make several experimentally testable predictions.

- *Temperature Dependent Resistivity of Semiconductor Quantum Wires*
  We calculate the effects of dynamical screening and plasmon-phonon coupling on the electron-phonon scattering limited resistivity of semiconductor quantum wire nanostructures, finding that, in contrast to popular wisdom, many-body renormalization could significantly affect the low temperature acoustic phonon scattering limited quantum wire resistivity. In particular, we find, in agreement with several findings, that the "ordinary" Bloch-Gruneise temperature dependence

could be restored in one-dimensional quantum wires due to a subtle phonon renormalization effect.

- *Gain and Lasing in Semiconductor Nanostructures*
  We have developed a first principles many-body theory of optical absorption and emission in photo excited semiconductor quantum wires, demonstrating decisively the feasibility of using quantum wires as laser devices.

- *Thin Film Superconductivity*
  We have calculated the critical temperature for superconductivity in thin films by developing the Eliashberg theory including size-quantized slab and interface phonon modes. We find the distinct possibility of an enhanced superconducting transition temperature in thin films compared with bulk systems.

- *Phonon-Induced Spin Relaxation*
  Motivated by the possibility of spintronic devices (where spin plays the role of an active element) we have developed a theory for phonon-induced spin relaxation in electronic materials. Our initial calculations are in excellent quantitative agreement with the available experimental data in A1.

- *Inelastic Light Scattering in Semiconductor Nanostructures*
  We have developed a many-body theory (which takes into account detailed band structure effects) for inelastic light scattering by free carriers in semiconductor nanostructures. Our theory explains a 25-year-old experimental puzzle in the literature about the occurrence of a single particle excitation peak in the light scattering spectra.

- *2D Metal-Insulator Transition*
  We have developed a quantitative theory for the 2D metal-insulator transition including effects of screening and degeneracy in the presence of electron-impurity and electron-phonon interaction. Our work explains a large number of recent puzzling experimental observations.

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